RED CROSS CAMPAIGN IN COUNTY LAGGING

Work Must Be Speeded Up to Get 6,000 Members, Says E. S. Stephens.

INTEREST IS GOOD Difficulty Found in Reach- TO TRAIN SPEAKERS ON WAB ing Farmers-Negroes to Be Canvassed.

The Red Cross drive for members must be speeded up if this district is to reach its minimum quota of 6,000. E. Sydney Stephens, chairman of the campaign for this district, said today. Exact reports are not yet obtainable, but the chief difficulty seems to lie in reaching the farmers. Mr. Stephens said that it is worth noting that the farmers, where reached, respond well. In one church Sunday, 45 members

were gained out of an audience of 30. Some joined for others not present. The schools and churches are the best and nearly the only places where the farmer can be reached. There has been some confusion on account of the number of campaigns for money. Mr. Stephens said that when it was made clear that the Red Cross is second only to the Army and the Navy, people are eager to join. Committee Is Named.

S. F. Conley will head the drive tomorrow among the business men. Mrs. Turner McBaine is chairman of the women who will canvass the residence district Friday.

The committee which is to work with Mr. Conley is as follows: T. T. Sapp. J. R. Somerville, H. M. Mc-Pheeters, N. D. Evans, Sam Stevinson, Percy Klass, J. W. Vesser, J. W. Schwabe, W. S. St. Clair, Frank Rollins, J. E. Wright, L. T. Searcy, M. R. Conley, Lakenan Price, F. G. Harris, W. G. Stephenson, Russell Holloway, Berry McAlester, Will Bowling. Prewitt Anderson, O. G. Maggard, Luther Slate, J. C. Denham, Roy T. Davis, F. W. Niedermeyer, J. M. Batterton, James M. Eichelberger, Clay Schwabe, Dr. Woodson Moss, Dr. J. B. Cole and John Holloway. Negroes Will Be Canvassed.

The work among the negroes during the food conservation and Y. M. listed reserve corps of the Army un-C. A. War Fund campaigns was dis- til they are graduated. Then they cussed last night at a meeting of the will be called into active service in committee of negro men who are to the engineer branch or else distake charge of the Red Cross cam- charged to take their chances under paign for membership among the the selective service law. negroes. The committee will meet again soon to perfect plans for the

Every member of the committee bought a membership in the Red Cross, and a number of their wives also. The members of the committee are: Chairman, J. B. Coleman, J. E. Jones, Henry Kirklin, J. P. Washington, the Rev. G. M. Tillman, the Rev. E. R. Redd, the Rev. D. J. Mitchell, and J. H. Renfro, secretary.

Get 25 Members to Red Cross.

Misses Isla Lynch and Cecelia Haskin, students in the School of Engineering, spent a portion of Monday-Volunteer Monday-working among the obtaining of twenty-five members to the Red Cross.

WHEAT FORECAST VERY LOW Largest Winter Acreage Ever Sown, Only 79.3 Per Cent Normal. By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.-Winter wheat this year, planted on the largest acreage ever sown in the country. showed on December 1 the lowest condition on record. The forecast of only 540,000,000 bushels was made to- Contests in Marching Tactics, Floor day by the Department of Agriculture. The final production, however, will be worse than the average.

next year's harvest aggregates 42,170,-000 acres and its condition on December 1 was 79.3 per cent of the normal, cent more than the revised estimated area sown in the fall of 1916.

The area sown in rye is 6,119,000 acres, which is 36.6 more than sown until January 8. a year ago, and the condition of the crop on December 1 was 84.1 per cent of the normal.

Plan Stayovers' Christmas.

the Virginia Grill, where the annual and programs are being planned for the ten days when the other students Building. will be at their homes.

Tennis Court Now Skating Rink.

croquet game resumed.

THE CALENDAR

Dec. 18—Five more shopping days be-fore Christmas. Dec. 19 It's not to late to join the Red Cross.

Dec. 21—Address by Dr. Lyman Wilbur, president of Leland Stanford Uni-versity at 10 a.m. in University Auditorium.

Dec. 21.—Friday, 4 p. m.—Christmas holt-days begin.

Jan. 3.—Thursday, 8 a. m.—Christmas holidays end.

Jan. 14-18.—Farmer's Week.

University to Offer Special Course After Christmas Holidays.

The group of history and political science will offer after the Christmas holidays a voluntary course to train mature students for public speaking in the state on the real issues of the war. Throughout the country the teachers in the social sciences are recognizing that, as the causes of the war and the problems of the peace settlement are so largely political, social and economic, the teachers of these subjects have a special obligation and opportunity to instruct public opinion

In Missopri there has been a widespread response from the faculties of the University, colleges and normal schools to the call of the Missouri Council for Defense for speakers. The members of the group at the Uni-dropping bombs on London from a versity now proposes to train mature students with a reasonably wide training in the social sciences, to aid in meeting this need of an intelligent discussion of why we are at war.

The work will be entirely voluntary without any direct University credit. In selecting candidates the preference will be given to students with adequate training in the social science or of proven ability as speak-Simmons, George S. Starrett, W. H. ers. All students interested in this project are requested to communicate with Dr. Jonas Viles before the

MAY COMPLETE THEIR COURSES

Technical Students Placed in Reserve Corps for Present. That technical students of draft

age may complete their courses and receive their degrees, Major General Black, chief of engineers of the Organization Society and checks Army, has announced that a plan had been agreed upon between the provost-marshal general and himself whereby students may join the en-

Current enlistments in the Regular Army, including those up to December 15, will be credited to quotas of districts in the next draft. Adjutant General McCord said, just the same as the first draft.

LIMIT COAL TO EVERY HOME Fuel Administrator Announces Dras tic Fuel Order.

The most drastic order issued by the Missouri Fuel Administration since its creation has been announced by Wallace Crossley, fuel administra- tomorrow. The Tuesday Club will tor. The order will be effective December 22.

It will prohibit delivery of more the engineering students and report than one ordinary wagon load of coal during any period of twenty-one consecutive days to residences and apartments. It will require every person ordering coal to fill out a printed blank giving detailed information concerning the fuel situation in the purchaser's home or building. Under the order every purchaser must give at least one week's notice before coal will be delivered.

> GYMNASIUM CLASSES COMPETE Work, Folk Dancing Held.

The four classes in gymnasium at above or below this figure, according Stephens College drilled competitiveas conditions hereafter are better or ly last night at the college. Miss Fanny Bickley, instructor in physical Winter wheat sown this fall for education, supervised the exhibition which consisted of marching tactics. floor work, folk dancing and relay games. The judges were Misses the Department of Agriculture today Naana Forbes, Agnes Husband and announced. The acreage is 4 per Eva West, all teachers at the college. All the students took part.

> The college closes tomorrow for the Christmas holidays, which will last

Won't Show Manual Arts Movie. Tub," a five-reel educational picture Christmas night. by the manual arts department of the Students remaining in Columbia University, has been indefinitely during the Christmas vacation are postponed. This was the announceasked by Dean Kirkenslager, secre- ment made by that department yestary of the Y. M. C. A. to call and terday after word was received from register, or telephone their names, in St. Louis that the people who were rolled in the College of Agriculture son, L. H. Elley of Shaw, survive her. order that entertainment for the holi- to come from there and show it could 291 students. They were classified in day "stayovers" may be arranged not arrange to be here this afternoon, the following order: 94 freshmen, Last year a 4-act play was given in It was originally planned to show 64 sophomores, 57 juniors, 61 seniors the reel at night, but this was made and 15 special students. This number dinner was held. A number of socials impossible because of the lack of was 66 per cent of the total number heat and light in the Engineering enrolled in the school year of 1916-

Falls to Pay Dog Tax-Fined. Evelean Holmesly, a negro, was By Associated Press Members of the Columbia fire de- fined \$1 and costs in police court to- ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19 .- A food surpartment have been using the tennis day for failure to pay license on her vey of this city is to be made by this home each Christmas. court behind the City Hall as a skat- dog. This is the first arrest that has members of the St. Louis committee ing pond recently. The croquet wick- been made for dog tax delinquency of the Federal Food Administration ets were pulled up and the area but B. W. Jacobs, city collector, says The survey is to be made by forty flooded, making an ideal surface for that tomorrow warrants will be is- women working in classified districts. skating. This will be drained when- sued for those who have failed to pay This action will be taken to determin-\$1 and costs.

When Germans Bombed England Last Night.

6 GROUPS IN FLEET U. S. BOAT IS SUNK Only 5 of 20 Machines Able 9 Men Lost When Submarine to Reach London-One

Lost in Channel.

sociated Press

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Ten person were killed and 70 injured in London during last night's air raid. Outside of London 5 persons were injured, One of the German airplanes which took part in last night's raid over England was brought down and another is believed to have been destroyed, the war office announces.

From 16 to 20 raiders, divided into groups, endeavored to reach London, but only 5 succeeded in dropping bombs on the city. There is reason to believe another raider fell into the English Channel.

A British pilot fired two rounds of mmunition into a raider as it was height of 13,000 feet.

After the main attack of the raiders single airplane flew over London at about 9 o'clock.

F. P. MILLER RECEIVES CHECKS Local Organization Handles Red Cross Seals This Year.

Considerable confusion seems have resulted from the fact that F. P. Miller, treasurer of the Columbia Charity Organization Society, is receiving the checks in payment for the Red Cross Christmas seals instead of Dr. Walter McNab Miller, who was in charge of the work in former

Doctor Miller is treasurer of the state organization for the prevention and cure of tuberculosis, but the sale should be made out to its treasurer. Checks stamped with F. P. Miller's

initials come to him with them scratched out and Dr. Walter McNab made payable to E. Sydney Stephens. been announced. Red Cross Christmas seals have been sold by the members of sororities each day this week. The Delta will be of interest to members of the Delta Delta sorority sold 718 stamps Missouri Council of Defense and offi-

Omega sorority sold \$12.50 worth yesterday at the Postoffice. The Alpha Delta Pi sorority worked in Academic Hall yesterday, but no report has been turned in by them yet,

The Alpha Phi and Delta Gamma sororities were in charge of the sales Phi Mu sororities will be in charge work Friday morning and the U. D. C. that afternoon. The P. E. O. will sell seals all day Saturday.

TO CELEBRATE NEW YEAR HERE

Daniel Boone Tavern Management Will Have Watch Party Dec. 31.

A real New Year's Eve celebration, noise makers, dancing and a midnight watch party will be held for Columbia this year at the Daniel Boone Tavern, if plans of the management are carried out. The fact that celebrations, always held with wines and liquors in most of the big cities in days. the past, will be lacking in this respect this year makes it possible for Columbia to have just the same sort of celebration that will be held in the other places.

F. W. Leonard, manager of the Daniel Boone Tavern, said this morning that the celebration at the tavern would consist of a dance the first part of the evening and later a watch party and lunch in the Mulberry din ing room. Here horns, rattles and other noise makers will be distributed and the lobby of the tavern will be turned over to the midnight welcomers of 1918. Other dances announced for all Columbia townspeople for the Christmas season are one on Friday The showing of the "Tale of the night of this week and another on

Agriculture Loses One-Third to War. school year of 1917-18 there were en-

the average prices that are charged. he will begin training.

10 KILLED, 75 HURT TEUTONS SEEK WAY IN LATEST AIR RAID TO VENETIAN PLAINS

One Airplane Brought Down Enemy Hunts Weak Point in Line-Russia to Ask Plans at Conference.

Is Rammed-10 Go Down

on French Cruiser.

By Associated Press On the Italian northern front the Austro-Germans persist in strong efforts to find a weak point and through

Central Powers at the peace conference at Brest-Lotovsk, whether they will agree to make peace without annexations and indemnity and "on the principle of self-definition of na-Trotzky is reported to have invited Allied participation on the threat that treaties will be broken and a separate peace arranged.

The old French cruiser, Chauteau Hensault, was torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean Sea last Friday and the submarine which attaked here also was destroyed. The cruiser was being used, as a transport and carried military passengers, all of whom were rescued. Ten men of the

crew were lost.

Nine lives were lost when the
American submarine F-1 was rammed and sunk by the submarine F-3 in home waters during a fog Monday.

A WAR CONFERENCE HERE

National and State Councils to Meet Together Farmers' Weak. The Missouri Council of Defense has completed arrangements with the National Council and the National

Bureau of Information for holding a enthusiasm about them as a weapon of Christmas stamps is being handled War Conference at the University dur- for permanent effectiveness. this year by the Columbia Charity ing Farmers' Week. This conference will begin Wednesday night and will include a series of addresses by William G. McAdog. Secretary of the Treasury, Lieutenant Perigord, a veteran French officer who has won spe-Miller's substituted. F. P. Miller has cial honors on the Western front, and received checks for Red Cross mem- a third speaker just back from the berships, which should have been was area, whose name has not yet a third speaker just back from the say, though, that Admiral Sims has

The second day of the War Conference, according to present plans, at the Postoffice Monday, and the Pi cial delegates who will be invited to Beta Phi sorority more than a hun- the conference. There will be no imdred in Academic Hall. The Chi portant addresses, but p lans will be worked out for more fully organizing the state with a view to giving all the people everywhere a wider acquaintance with every phase of the war as it effects America and the Americans.

TO KEEP SIDEWALKS CLEAN

City to Pay for Removal of Snow in mas. Front of Empty Houses.

night authorized the Mayor to have people and families with children the snow and ice on sidewalks in front preference. Each basket is supposed of empty houses removed at the city's to contain materials for a regular expense. The law will also be en- Christmas dinner, with some little forced in the case of residents who treat for each child in the family. fall to remove snow and ice from Even if it is only a pair of stockings part. their walks within a reasonable time. for the small boy or girl, it is a gift

business at its meeting. The regular brings happiness." bills were allowed. T. J. Rodhouse, engineer in charge of the construction of the new reservoir at the water and light plant, reported that the reservoir will be ready for use in a few

The council allowed J. D. Lyon, contractor for the improvement of Melbourne street, Sexton road and members of the Boone County bar are sion, the sororities in at least twelve North boulevard, 120 days in which to giving a part of their time to aid the complete the repairs and improved drafted men in filling out the list of prosperity, Mrs. F. A. Rugg, editor of ments on those streets.

MRS. CALTHRE P. ELLEY DIES Was 86 Years Old and Had Been Sick for Three Months.

Mrs. Calthre Pemberton Elley died yesterday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Taylor Smith, 86 years old, had been confined to her bed for three months.

Mrs. Elley was born in Boone County and lived most of her life on a farm seven miles east of Columbia, known as the Pemberton farm. She has lived with her daughter, Mrs. Reports from the office of the dean Smith, for the last eighteen years. show that at the beginning of the Another daughter, Mrs. James Haffenden, 1604 Cauthorn street, and a Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock this morning at the home of Mrs. Smith. Burial was in the Columbia Cemetery.

Sends Fruit to Orphans' Home. Members of the Rebekah Lodge are filling a barrel with canned fruit State Fair next year will be held Au- rangements so that relatives and Food Survey to Be Made in St. Louis. for an orphans' home in St. Louis. They are also sending clothing. The fore, it is announced by G. W. Arnold, during furloughs," he said. "Amerlodge contributes food or clothing to president, and E. G. Bylander, secre-

Paul Crouch Into Aviation Corps. Paul Crouch, son of E. W. Crouch, 507 South Fifth street, has been ac- souri basketball game will be called cepted in the aviation corps. He is at 7:15 o'clock Thursday night inever warm weather comes, and the the license. The minimum penalty is the quantity of staples on hand now on the way to Austin, Tex., where stead of 7:30, as stated in the Even-

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Victnity: Rostly cloudy and unsoftled tonight and Thursday; not much change in temperature; lowest tonight above freezing.

For Missouri: Mostly cloudy and unsettled weather tonight and Thursday; not much change in temperature.

Shippers' Forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperature tonight will be a few degrees above freezing in all directions.

The temperature is above the freezing point in the principal winter wheat belt, and in the stock range. Skies have continued cloudy, and snows have melted gradually giving water to the soft.

it to rush south to the Venetian plains.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 41 and the lowest last night was 38; precipitation 0.00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday 96 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 29 and the lowest 13 precipitation 0.00 inch.

The Almanac. Sun rises today 7:24 a. m. Sun sets. 4. Moon sets 11:02 a. m.

The Temper

Secretary Daniels Testifies Before House Inquiry Committee.

By Associated Press WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Daniels today gave the House Committee of Inquiry a general review of what the Navy has been doing, avoiding, he explained, disclosing any facts that would be of value to the enemy. He told how the Navy Department was now building 424 capital and other important ships. Discussing the use of submarine chasers, Daniels said they were regarded as necessary and there was "no great

A tiff between Secretary Daniels and Representative Britten enlivened the session. Britten asked what complaint had been made to the Navy Department by Vice-Admiral Sims. think that is not a proper question to ask," said Secretary Daniels. "I will been given everything the Navy has that it could give."

ONE HUNDRED BASKETS NEEDED Charity Society to Distribute Christ-

mas Dinners Given by Individuals. "Last year, we supplied eighty-seven families with Christmas baskets but the advanced cost of living will necessitate between ninety and a hundred baskets this year," said Mrs. W. T. Stephenson, who has charge of the

Christmas charity work, today.

The baskets are furnished by inity Organization Society. They will be delivered the day before Christ- who wanted agencies for the stamps.

"In distributing the baskets," con-The City Council at its meeting last tinued Mrs. Stephenson, "we give old The council transacted only routine from Santa Claus to the child, and

> LAWYERS HELP DRAFTED MEN yet. Men Get Advice in Filling Out Questionairres.

Boone County lawyers are explaining the draft questionnairres to a long line of applicants at the Courthouse today. By special agreement the dining rooms and suffering depresquestions asked. The questionnairres the Arrow, a magazine published by are being sent out at the rate of 5 the Pi Beta Phi sorority, said today per cent a day. Lawyers will be on the second floor of the Courthouse unchapter. til all of the papers have been sent out.

Dr. Wilbur to Speak at Assembly. Dr. R. L. Wilbur, president of Lenear Stephens. Mrs. Elley, who was land Stanford University and a per- in Boston, by way of St. Louis. sonal representative of Herbert Hoover, United States food administrator, BIG YEAR FOR WESTERN UNION will speak on "What is the Main Issue in Winning the War?" at a University Assembly in the Auditorium at 10 o'clock Friday morning.

Y. M. C. A. War Contributions Due. Those who promised subscriptions to the Y. M. C. A. War Fund are urged to pay the amount before Christmas, either at the Y. M. C. A. Building or the Exchange National Bank. Checks should be made payable to W. E. Smith.

1918 State Fair to Be August 10-17. By Associated Press

SEDALIA, Dec. 19.—The Missouri tary of the association.

Basketball Game at 7:15 O'clock. The Henry Kendall College-Mising Missourian last night.

RIFLE SUPPLY DELAY

Manufacturers Tell Senate Military Committee of Conditions.

ORDERS GIVEN LATE

War Department's Failure to Place Contracts Early Causes Loss.

y Associated Press WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Several months' delay in supplying rifles, private ordnance manufacturers told the Senate Military Committee today, resulted from the War Department's decision to modify the Enfield type. Factory machinery changes, the committee was told, reduced the production of Enfield rifles for England and production will not return to maxi-

mum until next May. "The contract with the War Department to produce modified Enfield rifles was not completed until last July," Henry S. Kimball, president of the Remington Company, declared.
"It was October," he said, "before machinery changes could be completed to begin output."

"The new modified rifles and also American ammunition," Vice-President Tyler of the same concern testifled, "are regarded superior to the British type. After war was declared in April," he said, "the War Der ment began negotiations with them to devote their factories, then engage on British contracts for 400,000 Enfield rifles, to making the modified

American type. How private manufacturers anticipated Government needs and in addition spent millions in preparation without orders, or when only verbal arrangements had been suggested, was told by Lewis E. Stoddard, vicepresident of the Marlin Corporation.

"In February." Stoddard said, "on verbal orders from Rear Admiral Earle, work on 5,000 machine guns was begun." He went to Colonel Rice at the Army Ordnance Bureau, he said, and offered to begin work or guns for the army in anticipation of war. "We are not interested," was Colonel Rice's reply," Mr. said. "If the War Departs asked for orders last February, had given them," Stoddard added, "by today 40,000 Colt machine guns could have been delivered. The Ordnanc Bureau simply would not give any orders," he said.

20 TO SELL THRIFT STAMPS Merchants Will Aid Savings Cam-

paign Here.
The committee appointed by Columbia merchants to see how many of the local merchants would place on sale the Thrift Stamps and the War dividuals, not by the Columbia Char- Savings Certificates received twenty

> Centralia's campaign manager, M. S. Bush, has been appointed by J. P. McBaine. He will have on his campaign committee Messrs. Hale, Edwards, Settle and Price. R. E. Price wrote to J. P. McBaine that various committees had been appointed and that Centralia would try to do her

> Rocheport reports through J. W. Hill that many of the stamps are being sold at the banks. A campaign manager has not been appointed there

> SORORITIES PROSPER. SHE SAYS Editor of Pi Beta Phi Arrow Found

> Increased Attendance in West While fraternities are closing their western colleges are enjoying unusual

"I have been at twelve western schools and in every one found an increased attendance of girls and a better sorority outlook," she said. Mrs. Rugg is returning to her home

1917 Has Record for Telegrams at Local Office Give Unrest as Caus More telegrams have been sent out of Columbia this year than ever be-

fore since the office of the Western Union was opened, J. E. Riley, commercial representative, said today following his inspection here. The increase in messages is attributed to the exciting conditions under which people are living, and is general everywhere, but particularly in Columbia, he believes.

"In addition to wiring home money, dozens of messages have been sent by students making train argust 10 to 17, earlier than ever be- friends in the Army may have visits icans are naturally nervous and will not wait for a letter when they can

Sunday School Festival Saturda The Christmas festival of the E copal Church will be held at 5 o'll next Saturday afterno church. There will be a Christmas